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This is a request for filing a new PATENT APPLICATION under Rule 53(b) entitled: PROTECTION OF WDM-CHANNELS

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This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers:

 $\boxtimes$ An abstract together with

pages of specification and claims including 16

28 numbered claims and also attached is/are

sheets of accompanying drawings. 10

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